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PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Smallpox on steamship Atrato.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Scales reports, September 11:

On September 9 the Royal Mail steamship *Atrato* from Vigo, Spain, arrived with one case of smallpox on board. The steamship *Atrato* left Vigo on August 23 with 232 contract laborers for Colon and stopped en route at Barbados, Trinidad, La Guaira, Savanilla, and Cartagena. On September 5 H. L., aged 43, a laborer, complained to the ship's surgeon, and on the 6th a papular rash, most marked on forehead and around the vaccination on arm, developed. He was immediately isolated. He had been successfully vaccinated on August 26.

On arrival here the patient was removed to quarantine and isolated; the personnel and all passengers, not previously vaccinated, were vaccinated; the contract laborers and steerage passengers detained in quarantine; and the third-class accommodations fumigated with 5 per cent sulphur dioxide gas, the bedding burned, and compartment washed with bichloride of mercury, 1:500.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows:

Week ended September 15, 1907. Present officially estimated population, 4,954. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Sept. 9	Imperator	New Orleans via Colon.	20	5	0	0
11	Helen	Mobile	22	0	0	0
11	Fort Gaines	do	22	0	0	0
12	Imperator	New Orleans	20	0	0	0
15	Appomattox	do	46	0	0	0

PERU.

Reports from Callao—Inspection of vessels—Smallpox at Lima—Plague in Peru—Reappearance of plague at Viru.

Assistant Surgeon Wightman reports, August 24 and September 4: Week ended August 24. Vessels dispatched as follows:

August 19. The British steamship *Chipana* for New York, with general cargo and a crew of 68, none from this port.

August 20. The American schooner *Marconi* for Sydney, New South Wales, and possibly for San Francisco, Cal., in ballast, with a crew of 11.

August 21. The British steamship *Panama* for Ancon, Canal Zone, with general cargo and a total personnel of 223, of whom 1 member of crew and 57 cabin and 22 steerage passengers were from this port.

August 24. The British steamship *Peru* for Ancon, Canal Zone, with general cargo and a total personnel of 141, of whom 12 members of crew and 21 cabin and 11 steerage passengers were from this port.

Bills of health from Chile report smallpox as still present in Iquique.

Week ended August 31. Vessels were dispatched as follows:

August 31. The Chilean steamship *Palena* for Ancon, Canal Zone, with a general cargo and a total personnel of 178, of whom 4 members of crew and 50 cabin and 39 steerage passengers were from this port; the British steamship *Fitz Clarence* for San Francisco, Cal., with general cargo and a total personnel of 38, of whom 2 members of crew and 1 cabin passenger were from this port.

Smallpox has become serious in Lima recently, but the actual number of cases can not be obtained. The disease has spread to neighboring towns to a certain extent. One death from that cause occurred in this port August 23. The Direccion de Salubridad is attempting to enforce general vaccination.

The following is the latest report on plague in Peru received from the director de salubridad:

Locality.	Cases August 16.	New.	Recovered.	Died.	Remaining August 21.
Lima	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Chosica	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Callao	3	.....	1	.....	2
Trujillo	14	.....	1	.....	13
Chiclayo	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Piura	2	1	.....	1	2
Viru .....	.....	9	.....	7	2

A new case occurred in Callao September 2.

The following is extracted from a letter from Consular Agent Caldicott at Salaverry, dated August 29:

" * * * There has been a reappearance of plague in Viru, a village about 25 miles south of Salaverry, and from information received it is in a serious form, 'pneumonia pestoso.' There have been several deaths, and some of the people have tried to enter Salaverry; one case being brought in last week died the same day. * * * Every precaution is being taken to prevent infection here, and all doubtful localities are being disinfected. * * * There has been a revival of plague in Huanchaco, 12 miles north of Trujillo, there being to-day 31 cases in the lazaretto, mostly from districts outside Trujillo."

Bills of health from Chile only report smallpox as still present in Iquique.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Reports from Manila—Cholera—Inspection of vessels.

Chief Quarantine Officer Heiser reports, August 16 and 20:

Week ended August 10, 1907. Quarantinable disease reported for the city of Manila: Cholera, 3 cases, 2 deaths.

Cholera.—August 5, 1907, 2 cases of cholera were reported. One was found dead in the district of Malate, and the other was a Japanese fisherman, who was found in the district of Tondo. These